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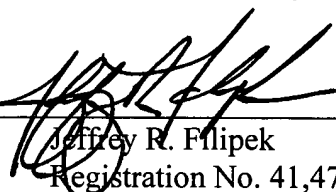
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    - US 2004/0095294 corresponds to JP 2002-297091
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    - US 2003/0090443 corresponds to JP 2003-151445
    - US 6,512,501 corresponds to JP 11-133913
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